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SUBJECT: CONGRESSIONAL CONSIDERATION OF REPEAL OF TURKISH
ARMS EMBARGO: POSSIBLE MCGOVERN AMENDMENT

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF AMENDMENT WHICH SEN. MCGOVERN MAY
INTRODUCE WHEN SENATE CONSIDERS SECURITY ASSISTANCE AUTHO-
RIZATION BILL, INCLUDING PROPOSAL TO REPEAL TURKISH ARMS
EMBARGO RESTRICTIONS. YOU SHOULD NOT AT THIS STAGE MAKE
DRAFT AMENDMENT AVAILABLE TO HOST GOVERNMENTS. YOU SHOULD
ALSO NOTE THAT FURTHER WORDING CHANGES COULD WELL BE MADE
BEFORE AMENDMENT IS INTRODUCED.

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2. BEGIN TEXT: . . ."U.S. POLICY AND PROCEDURE REGARDING
CYPRUS

"SEC.L4. THE FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACT OF 1961 IS AMENDED BY
STRIKING OUT SUBSECTION 620(X) AND ADDING, AFTER SECTION
620B, THE FOLLOWING NEW SECTION:

'SEC. 620C. U.S. POLICY AND PROCEDURE REGARDING CYPRUS

'(A) CONGRESS FINDS THAT --

'(1) EVENTS IN CYPRUS IN 1974, PRECIPITATED BY A COUP
SPONSORED BY THE GREEK MILITARY DICTATORSHIP, LED TURKEY
TO INTRODUCE ITS MILITARY FORCES ONTO THE ISLAND;

'(2) SUCH ACT, WHILE BASED UPON TURKEY'S INTERPRETATION OF
ITS RESPONSIBILITIES AS A GUARANTOR OF THE TREATY OF 1960,
RESULTED IN THE PROLONGED PRESENCE OF TURKISH FORCES IN
THE NORTHERN PORTION OF CYPRUS;

'(3) GIVEN THE EXISTENCE OF A UNITED NATIONS PEACEKEEPING
FORCE ON CYPRUS WITH A MANDATE TO MAINTAIN THE PRESENT
CEASEFIRE AND TO PREVENT ANY RECURRENCE OF INTER-COMMUNAL
VIOLENCE, AND GIVEN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INTER-COMMUNAL
NEGOTIATING PROCESS UNDER THE AEGIS OF THE SECRETARY GEN-
ERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS, THE CONTINUING PRESENCE OF
TURKISH FORCES IS NOT CONSISTENT WITH THE LEGITIMATE
STATUS OF CYPRUS AS A SOVEREIGN REPUBLIC;

'(4) UNITED STATES POLICY RESPECTING THIS PROBLEM HAS
ACCORDED, AND SHOULD CONTINUE TO ACCORD, HIGH PRIORITY TO
SUPPORTING UNITED NATIONS EFFORTS TO RESTORE FULL CYPRIOT
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SOVEREIGNTY THROUGH THE NEGOTIATION OF A JUST SETTLEMENT;

'(5) U.S. LIMITATIONS ON ARMS TRANSFERS TO TURKEY EN-
ACTED IN 1975 REPRESENTED A STRONG AMERICAN DESIRE TO
SUPPORT SUCH EFFORTS AND TO AFFIRM U.S. FOREIGN ASSISTANCE
STATUTES, APPLICABLE AT THAT TIME;

'(6) ALTHOUGH EVENTS IN CYPRUS HAVE CAUSED BITTERNESS
AMONG THE PEOPLE OF CYPRUS, TURKEY, AND GREECE, THE UNITED
STATES CONTINUES TO HAVE A STRONG INTEREST IN MAINTAINING
STABLE AND SOUND RELATIONS WITH EACH OF THESE NATIONS;

'(7) THE MAINTENANCE OF SUCH POSITIVE RELATIONS WILL IN-
EVITABLY DEPEND ON THE ACHIEVEMENT OF A JUST SOLUTION ON
CYPRUS.

'(B) REGARDING SUCH SOLUTION, CONGRESS FINDS THAT --

'(1) THE GUIDELINES FOR INTER-COMMUNAL TALKS AGREED TO IN
NICOSIA IN FEBRUARY 1977 -- SETTING FORTH THE COMMON GOAL
OF AN INDEPENDENT, SOVEREIGN, NON-ALIGNED, BICOMMUNAL,
BIZONAL FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS -- CONTINUE TO PROVIDE

A SOUND BASIS FOR THE NEGOTIATION OF A JUST SOLUTION IN THAT NATION;

'(2) SERIOUS NEGOTIATIONS, UNDER UNITED NATIONS AUSPICES, WILL BE NECESSARY TO ACHIEVE DETAILED AGREEMENT ON, AND IMPLEMENTATION OF, CONSTITUTIONAL AND TERRITORIAL TERMS WITHIN SUCH GUIDELINES;

'(3) UNITED STATES POLICY SHOULD CLEARLY AND UNEQUIVOCALLY SUPPORT ACTIVE EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE SUCH A JUST SOLUTION.

'(C) UNITED STATES POLICY REGARDING CYPRUS SHALL THEREFORE BE GOVERNED BY THE FOLLOWING PRINCIPLES:

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'(1) UNITED STATES ARMS TRANSFERS TO GREECE AND TURKEY SHALL BE MADE SOLELY TO SUSTAIN THEIR STRENGTH AS NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION ALLIES, SHALL BE DESIGNED TO INSURE THAT THE BALANCE OF MILITARY STRENGTH AMONG COUNTRIES IN THE REGION IS PRESERVED, AND SHALL NOT SIGNIFY A LESSENING OF THE UNITED STATES' COMMITMENT TO A JUST SOLUTION ON CYPRUS;

'(2) THE ACHIEVEMENT OF SUCH A SOLUTION SHALL REMAIN A CENTRAL CONCERN OF UNITED STATES POLICY IN THE REGION; AND

'(3) BECAUSE FUTURE UNITED STATES RELATIONS WITH THE NATIONS CONCERNED MUST BE SHAPED ACCORDING TO PROGRESS TOWARD SUCH A SOLUTION, THE PRESIDENT AND CONGRESS SHALL CONTINUALLY REVIEW SUCH PROGRESS AND SHALL DETERMINE UNITED STATES POLICY IN THE REGION, INCLUDING UNITED STATES ECONOMIC AND MILITARY ASSISTANCE, ACCORDINGLY.

'(D) TO FACILITATE SUCH REVIEW, THE PRESIDENT SHALL, WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE ENACTMENT OF THIS SECTION AND AT THE END OF EACH SUCCEEDING 60-DAY PERIOD TRANSMIT TO THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS OF THE SENATE, A REPORT ON PROGRESS MADE DURING SUCH PERIOD TOWARD THE CONCLUSION OF A NEGOTIATED SOLUTION OF THE CYPRUS PROBLEM. SUCH TRANSMISSIONS SHALL INCLUDE ANY RELEVANT REPORTS PREPARED BY THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS FOR THE SECURITY COUNCIL.

'(E) UPON ENACTMENT OF THIS ACT, THE PRESIDENT SHALL, WITH ANY REQUEST FOR FUNDS FOR MILITARY OR ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE UNDER THIS ACT OR CREDITS OR GUARANTIES UNDER THE ARMS EXPORT CONTROL ACT FOR COUNTRIES NAMED IN THIS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SECTION, TRANSMIT TO THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS OF THE SENATE HIS CERTIFICATION (WITH A FULL EXPLANATION THEREOF) THAT THE GOALS SET FORTH IN THIS SECTION HAVE BEEN SUBSTANTIALLY ACHIEVED OR THAT SUCH ASSISTANCE WOULD CONTRIBUTE TO THEIR ACHIEVEMENT. SUCH CERTIFICATION SHALL ALSO ACCOMPANY ANY NOTIFICATION OF ANTICIPATED ARMS SALES SUBMITTED FOR CONGRESSIONAL CONSIDERATION UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 36(B) OF THE ARMS EXPORT CONTROL ACT.'" CHRISTOPHER

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